Delaware Department of Transportation QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS Road Rating Services

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34	Could DelDOT provide an expected project start date?	See Answer to Question 7.d.	
33	What is the significance in the cost per mile for optional items in contrast to the cost plus fixed fee structure of the main service?	This will be used by DelDOT to determine if-requests for any of these additional items will be issued to the successful vendor.	
32	Is the assumed timeline for detection assumed as March 2021 - August 2021, or are they also entertaining offers for the inspections to take place March 2022 - August 2022?	The first collection should take place in 2021. There will be a collection of the National Highway System in 2022. There will be a second full collection in 2023.	
31	Will Delaware be able to make available all inspection reports with identified defects from 2015 through current including the engineers notes, issue ID'd and photos of such issues as a database for training the AI to the historical human standards of DDOT historical findings?	No.	
30	Is there any prescribed or preferred resolution for the High Definition Photos? What is the historical resolution used when humans were taking photos?	4K+ resolution would be ideal but will be looking for the proposed resolution from vendors.	
29	Would they like to see best in class only, or alternatives and how those alternatives impact price, detection and long term management solutions(camera technology getting better means build your systems for what will be used in 2022-2032 not what was used in 2012-2022).	Proposals will be evaluated based on the RFP.	
28	To the last question, how are they valuing the differences of current technology vs. future technology? Is there any specific guide for balancing pricing, costs, performance?	Proposals will be evaluated based on the RFP.	
27	Is there any requirements for 1:1 agreements of LIDAR & Visual findings? Are both technologies expected to have a 95% match in findings independently or concurrently to the human derived results/model?	Data quality will be evaluated based on the Data Quality Management Plan (DQMP).	

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26	For Initial Calibration and for initial QMS, could they provide a sample of what human model performance is currently established, and will the site selected also include a human evaluation after/during/before the AI?	Data quality will be evaluated based on the Data Quality Management Plan (DQMP) included with the RFP.
25	Payment schedule/Terms?	The anticipated method of payment is cost plus fixed fee, to be finalized during contract negotiation.
24	Ownership of IP post program?	IP developed by the Vendor in training AI is assumed to be the property of the vendor. Methods and processes developed in conjunction with DelDOT will be assumed to be the property of DelDOT.
23	Interest in subs/primes technology consulting/partnering/supported openly other DOT's. Specifically we would like to use this program as a test study in collaboration with other DOTS's to allow for additional funding outside of this bid, and potentially as a cost share. What is the process during the bid to invite and acknowledge the likelihood of another DOT participating in this manner? And potentially a proposed multi-state DOT partnership around the technology?	DelDOT has no interest at this time, please respond to the RFP as-is.
22	Is there a specific cost saving objective from the current operation they are looking for? Could they please advise to the current cost of the every 2 year operation, the number of historical findings, and the desired cost savings? Any breakout into the different sections would also be appreciated a. '4,459 miles for state-maintained roads and b. approximately 1,422 miles for suburban streets. c. State-maintained road mileage includes d. approximately 70 miles of the National Highway System (NHS) interstate network and e. approximately 654 miles of the NHS non-interstate network.	All information utilized for consultant selection for this project is included in the RFP.
21	Per the RFP DBE goal will be established on a task by task basis, could you provide a standard percentage that is included by tasks?	We do not anticipate utilizing federal funds, or requiring any DBE participation.
20	Is Data Analysis involved in the Scope of this RFP?	No, just collection and processing of distress data.

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19	Page 4: Part I, Section H. #3. States "Rating Criteria Support Information" Section, limited to four (4) pages on two (2) sheets of paper. Please confirm Section H page limit is 4 single sided pages?	See answer to Question 2.
18	Page 3: #5 SF330. Following the instruction are the only sections required for the submittal A-C, E, F, and H-I? To confirm Part I, D and G plus SF330 Part II are not required?	Complete Part I and Part II of the SF 330 using the instructions found at the beginning of the form.
17	Is the total mileage in Lane Miles or Centerline miles?	centerline
16	Is the total mileage single-pass or multi-lane?	single pass
15	What is the proposal page limit?	There is no page limit. However, proposals should be prepared in a straightforward and concise manner. The Proposal Requirements section prescribes the format for the presentation of a proposal in response to this RFP.
14	The consultant is required to provide field survey training. Will DelDOT clarify if the training is for DOT staff or is it anticipated the training will be for internal consultant staff?	Training is not meant for DOT staff.
13	Who is responsible for establishing the ground truths for calibration sites?	DelDOT or their appointed representative will be responsible for establishing reference values.
12	What timeline is DelDOT looking for in regards to an integrated viewing software license extension?	Licensing should be available for the initial 3 year term of the agreement, and the additional two years if the agreement is extended.
11	Is DelDOT looking for a cost proposal for integrated viewing software license extension?	Not at this time, we are looking for your capabilities of providing integrated viewing.
10	What is the expected data collection start date?	See answer to Question 7.d.
9	How many miles each year does DelDOT expect their vendor to collect?	Please refer to RFP page 1, project description and DQMP page 11. All state maintained road mileage is collected every other year. All NHS mileage is collected every year.
8	For schedule planning purposes can the state provide an all inclusive list of routes (or ideally a shape file) prior to the submission of the proposal?	Not at this time. This information will be discussed with the selection vendor.

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6	What is the schedule of events for the announcement of: a) Short list of firms announced b) Interview dates c) Contract award date (expected) d) Data Collection Start date (earliest) When will the determination of "possible collection and extraction of Lidar" decision be made?	a) This is a single phase solicitation, firm's will not be shortlisted b) Discussions may be held with up to three of the most qualified firms, dates have not been set. c) Within 90 calendar days of date advertised d) Ideally in the first half of 2021 This determination will be made with the selected vendor.
5	What is DelDOT's determining factor for making the decision to collect or withhold from collecting Lidar during this project?	DelDOT will evaluate the vendor's proposal in this regard. Include your Lidar capabilities in your proposal, capabilities will be considered as part of the rating criteria.
4	Do we submit SF330 for registration with the state and again as a required document in Appendix A for the proposal submission? Or Does SF330 function as the proposal itself and is to include specific responses to vendor capabilities within Section H (with submission limitations of 2 double sided pages in 12pt. Times New Roman)?	Yes, a separate SF330 must be submitted for registration. The SF330 submitted as part of your proposal should describe your firm's capability perform ther services described in the RFP. Section H is to be used to provide the following information: 1) The Prime consultants current workload with the Department; 2) Any DelDOT agreement number your firm has been selected for and not included in the current workload; 3) Rating Criteria Support Information.
3	If the proposal is a separate submission from SF330, are there page limitations and font requirements for the proposal?	The proposal is not a separate submission. Page limits for specific sections are noted in the RFP, when applicable.
2	Is the Workload Table included in the the four-page Section H page count or can it be presented on a separate page?	The four-page limit applies to the Rating Criteria Support Information only.
1	Can the Organization Chart be formatted as 11"x17"?	Yes.